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COMMENTS ON DRAFT EXPLANATION OF SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCES, SITE 18 – REGIONAL VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUND (VOC) GROUNDWATER PLUME (OPERABLE UNIT 1, SITE 24) – VOC SOURCE AREA (OPERABLE UNIT 2A) VADOSE ZONE RESAMPLING, FORMER MARINE CORPS AIR STATION, EL TORO GeoTracker No. SLT8R2654056

Dear Ms. Theroux:

We have reviewed the above referenced document, dated May 29, 2008, which we received on June 2, 2008. This document is an explanation of significant differences to a record of decision of 2002 for Installation Restoration Program (IRP) Sites 18 and 24. IRP Site 24 is comprised of two media: soil and groundwater, with remedies documented in two separate records of decision. This document focuses on resampling of the vadose zone at the conclusion of groundwater remedial action. We have no comments.

For any questions, please call me at (951) 782-4494, or send email to ibroderick@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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